

San Joaquin River Management Program

Goals and Principles (Draft)

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Since 1990, the San Joaquin River Management Program has served as a forum for identifying, discussing, planning and supporting projects and programs that address water quality, water supply, flood protection, fisheries, recreation and wildlife on the San Joaquin River system. In 1995, the SJRMP Plan identifying nearly 80 consensus-based actions designed to benefit the San Joaquin River system and its many users.

SJRMP provides a regional forum in the San Joaquin Basin for local agencies, environmental groups; agriculture, business, industry, recreation, and other interests and landowners to work directly with State and federal agencies to develop ideas and to meet these challenges. The following are the goals and principles that guide this effort.

Goals

- Provide a regional, ecosystem-wide perspective for critical issues in the San Joaquin River watershed without the limitations imposed by political boundaries.
- Provide a forum for local governments, environmental organizations; agriculture, business, industry and recreation interests, water rights holders, landowners, and other groups.
- Facilitate and promote planning, funding and implementation of projects and concepts consistent with SJRMP principles.
- Provide feedback, direction and assistance with local outreach to proponents of projects impacting the San Joaquin River system and its users.

Principles

- Adhere to the original SJRMP mandate to use a consensus approach to assure that impacts resulting from actions are acceptable to other interests.
- Participation is voluntary.
- Give full consideration to all interested parties' concerns.
- Maintain an open, credible, flexible and collaborative process.
- Generate buy-in for implementation of projects.
- Encourage continued local involvement.